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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE UNIDO ROLE IN IMPLEMENTATION OF
ACTION PROPOSALS IN SECRETARY'S SPEECH TO
SPECIAL SESSION

1. DURING HIS ATTENDANCE AT SS-7 UNIDO
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MAY TAKE OCCASION IN
DISCUSSIONS WITH USDEL AND OTHER PARTICI-
PANTS TO RAISE QUESTION OF UNIDO ROLE IN
CARRYING FORWARD ACTION PROPOSALS CONTAINED
IN SECRETARY'S SEPT. 1 SPEECH. IN MISSION'S
VIEW POTENTIAL UNIDO ROLE EXISTS WITH REGARD
TO TWO PROPOSALS (A) THAT AN INTERNATIONAL
CENTER FOR THE EXCHANGE OF TECHNOLOGICAL
INFORMATION BE ESTABLISHED AS A CLEARING HOUSE
FOR THE SHARING OF ONGOING RESEARCH AND NEW
FINDINGS RELEVANT TO DEVELOPMENT (B) THAT POST-
HARVEST LOSSES IN THE POOREST COUNTRIES BE CUT
THROUGH A BETTER PROGRAM OF STORAGE, TRANSPORT
AND PEST CONTROL.

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2. WITH RESPECT TO 1(A) ABOVE, AS ADDRESSEES

AWARE, UNIDO HAS BEEN CHARGED BY GA RES 2152 AND THE IDB WITH FUNCTION OF DISEMINATION OF TECHNOLOGICAL INFORMATION TO INDIVIDUALS, BUSINESS FIRMS, INSTITUTES AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, INCLUDING INFORMATION ON APPROPRIATE CHOICE OF INDUSTRIAL EQUIPMENT AND ON INDUSTRIAL PROCESSES. THIS ACTIVITY HAS BEEN CARRIED ON THROUGH UNIDO'S INDUSTRIAL INFORMATION CLEARING HOUSE. MOST RECENTLY, LIMA CONFERENCE PLAN OF ACTION CALLED INTER ALIA FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INDUSTRIAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL INFORMATION BANK TO MAKE AVAILABLE A GREATER FLOW TO THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES OF INFORMATION PERMITTING THE PROPER SELECTION OF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES (PARA 61K). RELATED RESOLUTION OF THE CONFERENCE (ID/CONF. 3/RES2) REQUESTS UNIDO PREPARE A PROGRAM OF ACTION TO PROMOTE THE CREATION, TRANSFER AND USE OF APPROPRIATE INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

3. QUESTION OF ORIENTATION AND EFFECTIVENESS OF UNIDO CLEARING-HOUSE OPERATION (A QUESTION IN PART RELATED TO THE RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO UNIDO FOR THIS PURPOSE) HAS BEEN DEBATED IN IDB/PC ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS. AD HOC COMMITTEE ON UNIDO LONG-RANGE STRATEGY (DI/B/142) FELT THAT MORE WORK WAS REQUIRED TO DEVELOP AN EFFECTIVE INFORMATION CLEARING-HOUSE PROGRAM, BUT REAFFIRMED THAT A MAIN FUNCTION OF UNIDO SHOULD BE TO PROVIDE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WITH RELEVANT INFORMATION ON EXISTING APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY FOR THEIR OWN INDUSTRIALIZATION EFFORTS. PC-6 WHICH MEETS DEC. 1-10, 1975 AND WHOSE PROVISIONAL AGENDA INCLUDES ITEMS ON SAPECTS FOR THE SEVENTH SPECIAL GA RELEVANT TO UNIDO AND FOLLOW-UP OF LIMA CONFERENCE OFFERS OPPORTUNITY FOR FURTHER EXPOSITION OF US THINKING ON TECHNOLOGICAL INFORMATION CENTER AND POSSIBLE RELATIONSHIP TO UNIDO ACTIVITIES IN THIS FIELD.

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4. WITH RESPECT TO 1(B) ABOVE, UNIDO SECRETARIAT MEMBERS NOTING THAT FAO, IN CONJUNCTION WITH UNDP AND WORLD BANK, IS BEING CALLED UPON TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM OF ACTION, HAVE CALLED OUR ATTENTION TO FACT THAT THE UNIDO/FAO INTER-AGENCY AGREEMENT ON COORDINATION (ID/B/65/ANNEX I) ALLOCATES TO UNIDO RESPONSIBILITY AS REGARDS THE MANUFACTURE OF AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF

PESTICIDES AND INSECTICIDES INDUSTRIES. THE SECTION
OF THE AGREEMENT CONCERNING COORDINATION SPECIFICALLY
IN THE FIELD OF FOOD INDUSTRIES GIVES UNIDO
RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE EQUIPMENT AND ENGINEERING
ASPECTS OF THE INDUSTRY. ON THE BASIS OF THIS
AGREEMENT UNIDO HAS INCLUDED IN ITS PROGRAM OF
WORK (E.G. ID/B/153 PAGE 40) ASSISTANCE TO
DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF GRAIN
STORAGE FACILITIES (PRESS RELEASE FEATURE 27 MARCH
1974 DESCRIBES WORK OF UNIDO EXPERTS IN INDONESIA
IN THIS FIELD.). STIBRAVY

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